

SPECIAL EDUCATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12, 2023 6:30 PM

Virtual Meeting in Compliance with Education Act Section 207 and Ontario Regulation 463/97 Section 5.1 (2)

PUBLIC ACCESS LIVE STREAM LINK https://niagaracatholic.ca/meetings-livestream/

A. ROUTINE MATTERS

1. Land Acknowledgement

Introduction:

The Niagara Catholic District School Board wishes to honour the Indigenous people who have been the protectors of this land, known as Turtle Island, for more than ten thousand years.

We begin this meeting by acknowledging the land on which we gather is the traditional territory of the Haudenosaunee and Anishinaabe peoples, many of whom continue to live and work here today. This territory is covered by the Upper Canada Treaties and is within the land protected by the Dish With One Spoon Wampum agreement. Today this gathering place is home to many First Nations, Métis and Inuit peoples and acknowledging reminds us that our great standard of living is directly related to the resources and friendship of Indigenous people.

- 2. Opening Prayer
- 3. Roll Call
- 4. Approval of the Agenda
- 5. Declaration of Conflict of Interest
- 6. Approval of Minutes of the Special Education Advisory Committee Meeting of February 1, 2023

B. PRESENTATIONS

Niagara Children's Centre SmartStart Hubs – Rebecca Main, Clinical Manager

Student Support Facilitators – Janet Rylet, Tara-Lynn Bidal & Grace Brochu

C. AGENDA ITEMS

- 1. Near North DSB Special Incidence Portion Claim Funding letter to Minister Lecce (Superintendent Pizzoferrato)
- 2. Finances Questions from the Committee Membership (Superintendent Pizzoferrato)
- 3. SEAC Handbook Development (By-laws & Guidelines) (Superintendent Pizzoferrato)

- **4. SEAC Chair's Report** (Superintendent Pizzoferrato on behalf of Chair Somma)
- 5. Questions from Committee Finance for May (Superintendent Pizzoferrato)
- 6. Goals Update (Michelle Maxwell)

SEAC Agency Information Form https://forms.gle/M2C1ptc79X9ZKWSP6

D. AGENCY REPORTS

Learning Disabilities Association of Niagara Region - Emily

Niagara Children's Centre - Michelle

Pathstone Mental Health - Tara

Down Syndrome Niagara - Pina

Autism Ontario Niagara Region – Alexandria

Mainstream - Lorraine

Community Living (Port Colborne/Wainfleet) - Sara

E. STUDENT REPORT

STUDENT SENATE REPRESENTATIVE – Mackenzie

F. STAFF REPORTS

SECONDARY PRINCIPAL – Adele

ELEMENTARY PRINCIPAL - Susy

STUDENT SUPPORT DEPARTMENT – Gino/Danny/Jim/Anthony

Superintendent Pizzoferrato

Niagara Catholic Accessibility Event (for parents, staff & community members) – April 17, 2023 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. (handout)

All Access Home Accessibility Conference – for students – April 18, 2023

- **G.** TRUSTEE REPORTS Trustee Doug Joyner/Trustee Jim Marino
- H. NCPIC REPORT
- I. NOTICES OF MOTION
- J. INFORMATION ITEMS

K. MOMENT OF SILENCE / REFLECTION OF LIFE

L. NEXT MEETING

Wednesday, May 3, 2023 at 6:30 pm

M. ADJOURNMENT